## THE PUTNEY COLUMN

A. F. Pierce Has Organized Company with \$50,000 Capital.

The Meriden, Conn., Record of a recent date contained the following:

"The organization of the A. F. Pierce company was perfected Tuesday morning, when directors and officers were elected. when directors and officers were elected. The articles of the company were recently filed in the secretary of state's office, the company being capitalized at \$50,000. The Incorporators are A. F. Pierce of Wallingford, T. H. Munroe and D. K. Curtis of Hartford. The directors elected at yesterday's meeting were A. F. Pierce and H. M. Stevens of Wallingford and T. H. Munroe of Hartford. The officers elected were: President and treascers elected were: President and treas-urer, A. F. Pierce; secretary, H. M. Steveus. The company will engage in the manufacture and sale of proprietary medicines. Mr. Pierce, the president of the new company, has for the past two years been engaged in this line of business, and during that time has built up a large trade. The new company will continue to do business in the Beaumont avenue factory and Mr. Pierce stated yesterday that the new company proposed to enlarge the business and expected to increase the

number of employes immediately."
Mr. Pierce is a son of George L. Pierce
of this town. He formerly had charge
of Dunham Brothers' shoe store in Bellows Falls, later was proprietor of a store in Claremont, and went from there to Wallingford to engage in business several

The officers of Putney Grange will be Installed in the town hall tonight. Mrs. F. G. Dort of Keene visited her sister, Mrs. J. H. Wheeler, Monday.

The Stowell factory was started Mon-day after the usual holiday shut-down. Miss Katherine Booth returned Monday from a visit in Worcester and Leominster,

The Methodist ladies' aid society cleared about \$70 at their supper and sale last

Miss May Brooks returned Monday after visiting her uncle in Charlestown, Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Barrett went to

Shaftsbury Monday to visit at Mrs. Bar-rett's former home. John Clarks went to Keene Monday to spend a few days with his daughter, Mrs.

Charles Bridgeman. Several crops of tobacco were shipped Tuesday. Practically all of the 1905 yield has been disposed of.

Harry Place has finished work for Clay-ton Coane and has returned to his home in North Troy, this state. One member was received by letter and

one on probation at the Methodist com-munion service last Sunday.

Harlan P. Farr went to Chester Tues-day to attend the funeral of George A. Farr, who died Saturday night. Miss Mary Roundy, teacher in the primary department of school No. 1, spent Sunday at her home in Beliows Falls.

The business of the post office showed an increase in the year 1905, but as the post office year does not end until April the figures will not be given out until

The second attempt to hold the annual meeting of the Mount Pleasant Cemetery association Monday was a failure, only four members being present. The meet-ing was adjourned to next Monday night at 7.30 o'clock, in the selectmen's room

The Putney Hose company has decided to hold a series of six assemblies in the town hall, beginning next Tuesday even-ing. There will be dancing from 8 to 1 o'clock. Hines, Dugan and Leitsinger will furnish music. Feb. 6 and Feb. 21 are dates of two of the assemblies.

There will be a service at the usual hour in the Methodist church Sunday morning. The pastor's wife probably will conduct the service as the pastor will de-liver his no license lecture, "The Moabite in Our Midst," Sunday morning at Water-

bury Centre, and in the evening at Stowe

The Congregational Sunday school held its annual meeting last Sunday. The reports showed an average increase of Charles Houghton; assistant superintend

Howard Brothers, the meatmen, began filling their ice house from Austin's pond The Putney Creamery asso this week. ciation's ice house also is being filled from that pond. The ice is only 12 inches thick, or about half the thickness of the The mild weather the past ew weeks delayed the harvesting season about a month.

At the annual meeting of the Congrega-tional society these officers were elected: Moderator, George T. Aplin: prudential committee, Charles E. Prouty, George T. Aplin and Levi J. Houghton: clerk and treasurer, Mrs. Annie B. H. Harris; music committee, Mrs. I. D. King Mrs. treasurer, Mrs. Annie B. H. Harris; music committee, Mrs. J. D. King, Mrs. George T. Aplin and Mrs. L. H. Olney; auditor, George T. Aplin; soliciting com-mittee, Charles E. Prouty, Harry E.

The towns along the Vermont bank of the Connecticut river have little use for its banks that voted "Yes" last winter And that burg, Putney, gave but one majority for a wet regime and has since repented in dust and ashes. Another year, and Vermont will present an un-broken no-license front to her sister state across the river .- [Vermont Issue,

The officers of the Congregational Christian Endeavor society took charge of the work of the society last Sunday for the ensuing six months. They are: President, Henry Cushman; vice president. Harry Olney, recording secretary, Miss e Johnson; corresponding secretary Nellie Ciarke; treasurer, Mrs. L. H Olney; chairman of committees, prayer meeting. Mrs. J. D. King; lookout. Mrs. Annie B. H. Harris; missionary, Rev. J. D. King; social, Mrs. H. L. Pierce; flower, Miss Annie Johnson

Col. W. H. Greenwood post and the Woman's Relief corps held their annual installation Tuesday evening. After sing-ing "The Army Beans" all formed and marched to the hall below, where a supper of baked beans was served. Past Commander A. P. Ranney installed the offi-cers of the post and Mrs. Laura M. Plantz installed the Relief corps officers. After the installation the following program was presented: Solo, Miss Hattle Taft; recitation, Mrs. Ada M. Pierce; review of the year, Mrs. M. E. Whitman; solo, Mrs. Jennie C. Pierce; recitation, Florence Martin; reading, Demanster Wheeler. Re marks were made by Rev. A. S. Buzzell, Rev. J. D. King, Rev. E. C. Fisher of Westminster West, Rev. E. C. Chariton, Dr. I. R. Doane, A. P. Ranney and others, The exercises closed by the singing of "America." The installing officer of the Relief corps, Mrs. Laura Plantz, presented the officers of the post and corps with

First Lieut. Roy L Taylor of the coast artillery is likely hereafter to have a wholesome respect for the uniform of the United States soldier. Because of act in requesting a sergeant of his comp any, who was in uniform, to vacate a seat at a theatre in New London, he was tried by court martial and the verdict reduces him 12 numbers in rank. The decision is signed by Brig.-Gen. Grant and expresses the hope that the sentence of the court will leave no doubt in the mind of anyone that the uniform of a soldier is a mark of honor which must be respected in the United States. SOUTH LONDONDERRY,

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Following is the necrology of the town of Londonderry for the year 1905:

Jan. 11. Horace A. Hayward, 62,

Jan. 23. Nelson Clark, 55.

Jan. 27. Mrs. Ann Harlow, 91.

Feb. 13. Mrs. Lucinda French, 75.

Feb. 14. Moses N. Clayton, 77.

Mar. 17. Serrel A. Allen, 75.

Mar. 28. George W. Dodge, 85.

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June 12. Mrs. Catherine Woods, 91.

May 25. Mrs. Nancy Hall, 82.

June 12. Mrs. Emily A. Stewart, 59.

June 13. William S. Lilley, 56.

June 21. Mrs. Mary E. Robinson, 55.

July 29. Mrs. Minnie H. Abbott, 55.

July 29, Mrs. Minnie H. Abbott, 55. 5, Miss Hannah Cressy, 80. 2. infant son of Mr. and Mrs.

Sept. 2. Mant son of Mr. and Emery Aldrich. 1 month. Sept. 14. Wesley J. Woodward, 71. Sept. 21. Mrs. Phoebe E. Hunt, 77. Nov. 14. Warren Sheldon, 65. Dec. 1, Ira Coy, 22, Dec. 7, James Pierce, 65,

Everett Valle went to Boston Wednes-L. R. Pierce is in Woodstock this week

A telephone was put in the home of Walter Bemis last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Coolidge of Felchville are visiting at Fred Burbee's. The week of prayer is being observed this week, both churches uniting in the

S. M. Holden returned from California day. He gives glowing accounts of that country. George Robinson and May Allen went

to Chester Tuesday to attend the funeral Mrs. Charles Randall and Mrs. Effle Dimond of Manchester visited friends

here over Sunday. Mrs. C. E. Shory and little daughter of Swampscott, Mass., are visiting her sister, Mrs. F. W. Melendy.

A large delegation of Masons from An-ther lodge attended the installation of West River lodge at the north village Wednesday evening.

Farmers' Grange held the installation of officers Friday evening, with Past Master C. D. Farnum the installing officer. Of-ficers are as follows: Master, W. W. Slason; overseer, E. S. Davis; lecturer, Martha Lampson; steward, J. W. Rawson; assistant steward, O. S. Abbott; chaplain, Laurs Jenkins; treasurer, C. D. Farnum; secretary, Rose E. Davis; gate keeper, Hattie E. Abbott; Pomoma, Lila Reed; Flora, Lelia Lampson; Ceres, Alia Slason; lady assistant steward, Annie Houghton.

Anchor lodge, A. F. & A. M., No. 99, eld their installation of officers on Tuesday evening, with District Deputy Grand Master C. W. Cutler of Townshend the Installing officer: W. M., A. E. Cudworth; S. W., H. M. Swift; J. W., L. R. Pierce; treasurer, G. G. Smith; secretary, H. J. Twitchell; S. D., P. D. Lakin; J. D., O. R. Clayton; S. S., E. W. Melendy; J. S. J. B. Johnson; chaphtin, M. Hoskins; marshal, J. W. Melendy; tyler, C. D. Farnon, Affact the featblettee, because Farnum. After the installation a banquet was served at Riverside Ing., which did credit to the management there.

At the annual church and society meet-ing, held in the vestry of the Baptist church last Saturday, the following officers sen for the ensuing year: Clerk, E. F. Rugg; treasurer, G. A. Coombs; treasurer of benevolent fund, Rev. F. E. Coburn: prudential committee, George Barnard, John Allen, G. A. Coombs, Barnard, John Allen, G. A. Coombs, ushers, Frank Tyler, John McAllister, Irwin Thompson; musical directors, Hallie Thompson, Oilve Churchill, Bernice Babbitt, W. W. Heald; organist, Olive Churchill; assistant organist, W. W. Heald; auditor, E. F. Rugg, At the so-ciety meeting Rev. F. E. Coburn was chosen moderator, John Allen secretary, H. P. Chase, John McAllister and Irwin Thompson committee

on committee

On Saturday evening Hooker Woman's Relief corps and Sons of Veterans were guests of Hooker post, G. A. R., for a joint installation of officiers of the post and corps. After the installation a fine col-lation was served. The following officers were installed for the post by O. S. Ab-bott, rost commander. Commander. Next Sunday will be purpose day at the Baptist church. In the morning the pastor's theme will be "God's eterna; purpose in us," and in the evening"A young man's purpose." A young ladies schoir will sing and Miss Vinnie Buzzell der, O. M. Williams; quartermaster, H. P. will sing "The bird with a broken pinion." Shattuck; officer of the guard, G. J. Thompson; sergeant, O. S. Abbott; surgeon, C. W. Castle; sergeant major, E. F. Rugg; delegate, C. W. Castle; alternate, R. E. Bostwick. For the Relief corps the following officers were installed: President, Bertha Hulett; senjor vice president. dent, Bertha Hulett; senior vice president, Malvina Bradley; junior vice president, Lila Reed; treasurer, Mary Dudley; chap-lain, Laura Jenkins; secretary, Minnie Davis; conductor, Martha Lampson; as-sistant conductor, Annie Houghton; guard, Annie Melendy; assistant guard, Lilian Clough; color bearers, Bessie Castie, Alice Pease, Sarah Brown, Anna Clough; patrio-tic instructor, Mary Pierce; press correspondent, Lucy Melendy; delegate, Eva Pierce; alternate, Annie Houghton. These officers were installed by Mary Pierce, department patriotic instructor

gone to Mariboro to draw logs for John Tibbetts.

J. L. Pike of Brattleboro has returne to his home after visiting a few days with his son, E. B. Pike. Mr. and Mrs. Caroli Doane, who lived in E. B. Pike's house a short time, have moved to Londonderry.

Ernest and Frank Cobb of South Londonderry are here drawing their logs into Taft & Willard's mill.

boarding at Dr. Heffion's, has gone to her home in New Hampshire. W. R. Leith of Greenfield, Mass., who was called here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Leith's mother, Mrs. Mary Bliss, returned Saturday, accompanied by his

G. Estabrook Thursday afternoon, Jan. 18, and will hold their regular supper from 6 to 8 o'clock at the same place. All wil

Vermont Grange installed the following officers Thursday evening, Mrs. A. L. Wiley being the installing officer, assisted by Mrs. A. S. Newcomb: Master, W. H. Hamilton; overseer, H. E. Knight; lecturer, Mrs. O. V. Hefflon; steward, Chas. lady assistant steward, Mrs. H. E. Knight next meeting will be held in two

weeks. Wardsboro lodge, No. 70, L. O. O. F. installed these officers last Thursday evening, A. R. Robinson being the install-ing officer: Noble grand, H. E. Howard: ing officer: Noble grand, H. E. Howard; vice grand, George Briggs; sec'y, John Gilfeather; treas., F. C. Brigham; con., E. M. Spencer; warden, A. R. Robinson; O. G. M. E. Putnam; I. G., W. W. Kidder; R. S. N. G., L. B. Kendall; L. S. N. G., L. A. Hall; R. S. V. G., C. E. Morgan; L. S. V. G., E. H. Lackey; R. S. S., Chas. Jones; L. S. S., W. A. Newell; chaplain, E. H. Waite; representative to the grand lodge, E. O. Robinson. After the installation an oyster supper was served at oyster supper was served at

CARD OF THANKS—We extend our sincere and heartfelt thanks to the friends and neighbors for their kindness during the last sickness and to each one who in any way assisted at the last services of

our beloved mother MARY E. LEITH, CHARLES G. BLISS, WALTER R. LEITH.

## HINSDALE, N. H.

O. C. Robertson was in Boston last Mrs. Lyman Estabrook visited in Dub-

Prof. D. L. Fisher was in Boston a few Miss Kitty Lowe is in Boston for a visit Mrs. William Smith has been ill with

muscular rheumatism. A whist party was held at St. Joseph's church Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Eunice Wilder is improving from her severe illness in Brattleboro Miss Delephone Currier has been suf-The young people have been enjoying excellent coasting the past week.

John Dix of Whately, Mass., visited in town the latter part of the week. All of the schools opened Monday, with no change in the corps of teachers. The officers of Wantastiquet Grange will be installed Wednesday evening Mrs. Cephas Bergeron was called to Manchester by the illness of her sister.

Miss Delia Streeter of Concord is at her home in North Hinsdale for a vacation. William H. Mend entertained a party of friends at his home one night last

Mrs. W. Brackett and daughter of Newton, Mass., visited at E. A. Worden's three days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Robertson and daughter. Eva, have been in Springfield, Mass., this week. The concert and dance last week was very successful affair. The Universalist ciety served an excellent supper.

Miss Edith Smith, who is teaching in Colrain, Mass, spent the holiday vaca-tion at her home in North Hinsdale. The ladies' aid society of the Methodist church will meet this afternoon with Mrs. S. H. McDonaid. Officers will be elected.

The Epworth league entertained the leagues from Brattleboro and Winchester at the Methodist church Wednesday even-William Qualters has given up his position at the Amidon mill and moved to Maynard, Mass., where he will run a

boarding house A teamster working for G. M. Wright struck one of his horses with a club, injuring the animal so that it had to be killed last week.

Dr. W. E. Fay entertained a party of friends at his home Saturday afternoon and evening in celebration of his birth-day anniversary.

from Winchester Wednesday night to at-tend the installation of the Queen Esther Miss Christina Robertson returned Tuesday to the McDuffle school in Springfield,

Mass, after spending a three weeks' va-cation at her home here. Miss Ann Galvin was called to Nor-wich, Conn., last week by the death of her sister, Mrs. Daniel Coffey, who lived

The real estate and personal property of the late Nelson Barrett were soid at auction Saturday. George A. Robertson bought the home place for \$300 and G. M. Wright the wood lot for \$200.

G. M. Wright lost another horse this week. A teamster was working in the woods with it and in some way the animal fell over a ledge, splintering a leg. It was deemed best to put the animal out of

There was one candidate initiated into Naomi chapter, O. E. S., at a special meeting last week, and Monday evening the newly elected and appointed offcers were installed. A surprise supper was served Monday evening.

Invitations are out for the wedding and eception of Miss Edythe Hortense Nima. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Nims of this town, and Dr. George Steely of Dan-ville, III., to take place at the home of Miss Nims January 17.

Following are the new officers of the Methodist Sunday school: Nora Smith, superintendent; J. H. Watson, assistant superintendent; Mrs. S. H. McDonald, secretary; C. H. H. Langille, treasurer; Mrs. B. A. Spencer, librarian; Mrs. Frank Bean, organist.

elected the following officers Sunday: R. A. Clogher, superintendent; C. E. Savage, assistant superintendent; Miss Florence V. Goddard, secretary and treasurer; Miss Beatrice Currier, librarian; Miss Emma Weilman, superintendent of home de-partment; Miss Maud Webb, superintend-ent of cradle roll.

The Hinsdale fire department will hold its annual masquerade ball at the town hall next Friday evening. There will be a coupling exhibition at 8.15 by J. J. Murphy of Turners Falls, who will be followed in a similar act by Richard L. Howe of the local department. Mr. Murphy is said to be the champion coupler of the world. Dancing will be enjoyed from 5 to 3, with music by Leitsinger's from 5 to 3, with music by Leitsinger's orchestra. Caterer Dilion will serve sup-per in the basement dining room.

The following officers of Squakheag tribe of Red Men have been installed; C. D. Fay, prophet; Luke Mann, sauchem; Charles Fletcher, chief of records; W. M. Hall, collector of wampum; M. D. White, keeper of wampum; Paul Maginniss, E. L. Morin, William Doucette and W. P. Lyman, warriors; Maurice Purcell, Willlan Conway, C. E. Weed and Henry Roy, braves; E. C. Currier, guard of wigwam; W. E. Fay, guard of forest; W. E. Fay, trustee for three years.

Mrs. Agnes Tacy, 59, died Monday from the effects of a shock, with which she was stricken Saturday. She was the widow of Joseph Tacy, who died about 13 years ago. Mrs. Tacy was born in Platts-burg, N. Y. She came here from Ashuelot about two years ago. She is survived by five sons and four daughters, one sis-ter and four brothers. The funeral was held from St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church Wednesday morning at 9 a. m., and the burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, Rev. D. C. Ling officiating

## ASHUELOT, N. H.

Raymond E. Stimson spent last week with friends in Boston. Hugh Sheridan is having a carbonizing plant placed in his woolen mill.

Mrs. Calestine Goslein will go to Marisoro this week to make her home with John Garlie of Troy, N. Y., has taken the superintendency of E. C. Robertson & Son's paper mill.

The local properties of the Gustave zer estate were appraised last week by W. Wood, H. H. Pratt and E. C.

## SOUTH WARDSBORG.

T. D. Potter of Springfield, Mass., was in town last week looking after his lumber

interests. Mr. and Mrs. Fayette Rice are ill. O. White is there helping care for Mr. Rice's stock.

Miss Anna Goodale and friend of Amherst, Mass., are visiting Miss Goodale's mother, who lives here. Charles Gleason and Herbert Brown were in Wilmington Saturday on business. George Allen carried the mail.

One of the new snow rollers made its first appearance on our roads last week, being drawn by the horses of L. K. Webster and W. L. Seeber.

. Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Kidder came from Cavendish to their home here last Friday, but returned Tuesday. They are assisting their son, who has a mill in that place. A. A. Larrabee has been suffering with what was at first supposed to be boils but recently proved to be blood poisoning of which he has been a victim several times

## IN A WOODSMAN'S WAY

It was in the fall of the year that Fran-cols first became aware of it. The woods were splashed with yellow and gold and crimson, and the acorns and beechnuts were pattering down upon the dry brown leaves that carpet the forest floor. There was something he wanted, He felt it as he gazed on the glory of the leaves, and caught the scent of drying grass that floated to him through the languid air. He felt it more as he rested of a noon in some sunny nook, and the quiet of the bour was broken by the booming flight of a partridge or the shrill "conk" of a triangle of wild geese flying south-

ward.

At last, one day, as he was lying on a grassy bank, sniffing the keen, fresh breeze that brought with it the odor of the birches, he understood what it was he wanted. An ermine was lying at his feet, wearing its winter coat of rich, thick fur. He had never caught one so early before, and it should have been sign of rejoicing. "Why," questioned Francols of himself

"Why," questioned Francois of himself as he stirred the limp white body, half disdainfully, with his moccasin. "why, mon garcon, do you care no more for the trapping? And why does the failing of the leaves make you so sad? You have been homesick before for the leaves and the hirds and the flowers, my boy, but never like this. You think you want something, but you don't know what it is. Ma foi, thou hast a cabin, and bucon, and flour, and tea, and powder, and—"

and tea, and powder, and—"
Francols stopped to watch a jay extract a fat, sleepy grub from a crack in a maple. When the grub had quite disap-peared, he continued; "What more could one want? Thou

hast all that one could be homesick for, except—a home. And to have a home means to have—" Francois was so surprised at the new turn of his thoughts that he stared hard at a chipmunk for relief. But the striped

thing only flicked its tail at him, and he had to go on.
"Par le bon Dieu, it must be Marie that you want," he confessed, half sur-prised and all ashamed. "Assuredly, it is Marie. Little Marie, old Onc Pierre's little granddaughter, the little girl you used to play with. Bah, fool! what can a big, rough fellow like thee want of a little, soft thing like that? Thou does not want her, boy."

So Francois assured himself as he tramped home to his little cabin, and cooked and ate his lonely supper, and smoked his evening pipe. He even assured himself of it after he had exchanged his moccasins for the big, clumsy shoes with which he sometimes tortured his feet, vaguely feeling that it was good form, and had strolled down to the shore. "It is very lonesome here," he said, as the mournful cry of a loon came floating in over the dark waters of the lake. He caught sight of a dim light away off on

claimed, as he pushed off his cance, "one may go to see One Pierre, even if one does not want Marie, It was very cheerful in the little cabin after the gloom of the lake. The huge pile of logs in the big fireplace was roar-ing and snapping and making the shad-ows dance over the bright tin plates and cups, and the old rife resting on the antiers, and the silvery hair of the old voyageur, who was kneeling before the fire and mending a source by its fired light and mending a snare by its fitful light.

He glanced up at the opening of the door.
"Bon soir, p'tit gar," he said. He still called Francois his "little boy," though the latter stood an inch higher in his moccasins than even Pierre had done in his best days. There was silence for a moment. Francois glanced round the room—not that he cared if any one else were there, of course. The old trapper straightened his bowed shoulders and

looked round.
"Marie, it is Francois," directing his words at the shadowy corner where the inning-wheel stood.
"Ah, bon soir, p'tit gar," mimicked a

soft, mocking voice. "It is indeed Fran-cols. Pardon, M'sien, that I did not re-member. It is so long since one has seen you here; since resterday, is it not?"

As imp of a girl danced forward into the firelight, her eyes sparkling with mischief beneath the demurely lowered lids. She courtesied low, till the great skein of parn that hung on her arm swept the floor. "Bon soir, M'sleu," she repeated.

Francois turned crims "Forgive her, lad," he said; "il n'y a que son badinage." Francots shook his broad shoulders as if he had taken a plunge into the lake. "Yes, assuredly, it is only her fun." he murmured, feebly. He turned to the fire and began to talk about the signs of the winter, the silver

fox he had seen the week before, every-thing he could think of. But all the time his eyes would wander to that corner; and every time a flicker of light fell on the brown head bowed over the skein from which she was winding. and the soft outline of her cheek and reck, and the slim, graceful hands that whirled the ball so swiftly, he was reminded that he wanted something. But never a glance did he get from the downcast eyes. "Bah, fool!" said François to himself, "she would not have you. Even if you wanted her," he added quickly, for there was an odd feeling in his throat. Now the work was not swing so smooth.

Now the work was not going so smooth The skein was snarled, and Francois aught, or thought he did, just the faintest little sigh of vexation from the corner It was too much for him.
"Shall I not help?" he asked, and

strode over to her. "Ah, at last, M'sieu," she began, mer-rily, letting her glance run up the tall figure beside her. "Indeed, it has taken you long to see—" She stopped short as her eyes reached his face. "Yes, thank you, Francois," she said, nervously, for she had seen something new and strange

They sat in slience. She was winding now as though her life depended on it. She never raised her eyes, hid beneath the long, dark lashes, and there was a little flush under the soft brown of her cheek. As Francois gazed on her, so small and weak and troubled, a strange new feeling seemed to be choking him. She bent forward to untangle a knot, and her little hand touched his, and they both trembled and drew back. A little fur-ther, and the skeln was getting very tangled. The brown head and the black were very close together now. Suddenly

their eyes met.

Old Pierre straightened up quickly.

"Bless me," he cried, "what was that?"

"It was only a knot, gran'përe."

Pierre sunk back. "I must be getting deaf," he muttered. "I thought I heard something."

It was a very quiet and rosy little maid who at last consented to let Francois lead her forward to the freilght. But he was very straight and proud and resolute, now that he had found what he had wanted. "One Pierre," he said, "Marie and I have found out that we love. May we have each other?"

The allows head sank a little lower.

The silvery head sank a little lower, but the old man did not look up. "Dost thou love him, little one?" he asked after

The girl hesitated, then nestled close to the great figure beside her. "I have loved him all my life, granpère," she said simp-The old voyageur rose, and joined their hands gently in his gnaried and wrinkled one. "The good God bless you, my chil-dren," he cried. "It is for this alone I have lived, ever since I took you in as my

son, p'tit gar. And now that you know that you love each other, my work is headache, indigestion, dyspepsia, costive-ness, heartburn, flatulency, chilis, colds, grip or female ills. Get a bottle today from your druggist, also ask for a free copy of our 1906 illustrated almanac. It is very interesting. And then they sat down close together, all three, before the great fire, and what they said that night no one knows save

those who said it.

After that day Francois was sad no longer as he wandered through the forests, and Marie was happy in the thousand duties of a bride-to-be. And old Pierre was happy and sad as well—happy in the realization of his hope, sad And well—
well—
the proof of the pudding is in the eating. The value of a Poultry Food is determined by the increase in egg production brought about by its use. H. J. Hollister of No. Granville, N. Y., gives the results of his experience with Page's Perfected Poultry Food in the following language: "I use some of your Food all the time and get about 30 eggs a day from 35 hens." happy in the realization of his hope, and as he dreamed of all the active past, and felt that now his work was done. He began to grow old all at once, and to live in the past, as those do who know they have no future. So the autumn work

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# BAKER'S BREAKFAST COCOA



tway, the last leaves came fluttering

down, the gray sky hinted of the coming anow, the sun sank low into the southern sky. And at last the clear, cold Christmas

One Pierre's cabin was gay with all the

greenery of the winter woods, spruce and cedar and ground-pine, and the vines of the partridge-berry, pulled from beneath the snow on sunny banks. All the simple

folk of the woodland were there, man, woman, and child, for a wedding is a rare thing with them. Charles had forgotten the otter that Henri got from him for a "doctored" bearskin, and greeted him with broad grin and hearty grip of the hand.

hand. And Jean and Alphonse and the rest agreed to forget that dispute about the cutting of the hay in the intervale meadow. Best of all, old Père Dubois had come from the settlement to lend the sanction of the Church to the occasion, though he was short-winded.

though he was short-winded and had to

walk the whole distance on snowshoes. He brought a string of big gold beads for

the bride, whom he had held, a very red and unwilling captive, at a christening not so many years before. And One Pierre received them all with the stately,

Pierre received them as with the Kately, simple courtesy of the true old voyagear. Then Francois, Joyous and grave at the thought of all the life before him, led forth his little trembling bride, and they

were married.

When the priest had finished the simple words of the service and blessed them, they all sat down to the feast, and the

Père's red, jolly face beamed radiantly from the head of the table as they are with the appetite of the forest, and drank

their toasts in the fiery whiskey which is the woodsman's wine, to the bride and groom and to their happy life.

And last of all Francols arose with brimming glass and said: "Friends, there is one whom we must not forget, who has been to Marie all in all, and who took me

in when I was alone and friendless, and made a man of me. A health to Onc Pierre, and may he live long to be happy

And in the shout that followed. One

Pierre reached out and gripped his hand

Then they went out into the moonlight that flooded all the silent forest. A sledge

was waiting, with a dozen stout runners, to bear Marie to her new home. But she was pressed close to the old man's breast,

the night and the future, and left the

off into the moonlight, across the gleam-

ing ice, singing that old song of the voy-

Derrière chez nous y-a-t-un étang, En roulant ma boule.

was not sad, but very weak. He tottered as he moved about, extinguishing the candles, and then sank down on the heap of furs that made his bed. It was very

quiet. The ticking of the little clock, the clock he had bought as a present for his own bride, the crackle of the fire, the

purring of the kettle, all seemed to say, "Good-by, old friend; your work is done." He sank back further on the furs, and

watched the shadows playing on the roof. He seemed to see there all the Christmas Eves he had known before. And then

there came into his mind the story—how often it had come in the last few weeks!—the story of the great cance, in which the souls of old voyageurs roam above the forests that they loved, and how on Christmas Eve they had come to receive the souls of other compades whose work or

souis of other comrades, whose work on earth is done. He seemed to see them all, the friends of his youth and prime—

Jacques, and Baptiste, and Jules, and the

warm fuds and crossed his toll; worn hands above his breast, "Good-by, my little ones, God bless you!"

A breeze came sighing in from the depths of the forest, and murmured in the

branches of the great dark pine that tow-ered over the little cabin. The last notes

But Pierre heard them not; to him it was the rush of the great canoe and the call

of his comrades. "Here, friends, here!" he cried faintly, and struggled up to a sitting position. "Here I am. To work

once more. En avant, my braves, en

forever. The last embers of the fire flickered out; the moon swinging through the sky, flooded the old man's quiet face

with its peaceful light, and all was still save the little clock that had ticked out his life and the night wind in the branches

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of the forest .- [The Outlook.

He fell back, his brave old heart still

the wedding song echoed across the

He let himself sink into the soft.

Then he turned back to his cabin.

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Now that all is over between us and tussia, the world is asking the question: Russia, the world is asking the question: What, then, is the greatest significance of the war? My answer is that it means, in particular, the birth of the New China, and, in general, the birth of a new era for the people of the Asian lands. As for the rise of Nippon, it is purely incidental. In 1903 we were pretty nearly as great as we are in 1905. All the Asiatic people now recognize that the axis of the Asian world has been shifted. They had been resigned to their fate, and had given up all hope of regaining the lost freedom of the state to their fate, and had given up all hope of regaining the lost freedom of the state of nature. The Japanese success, first on of nature. The Japanese success, first on sea and then on land, struck this enervat-ed world like a cannon ball. The eyes of the nations of Asia are now turned upon Japan; and it is upon her that they base

Japan; and it is upon her that they base their hopes.

So writes a gentleman who signs himself a French Diplomatist; and many others are of the same opinion. The war made one thing rather plain. In Japan, the victor of the struggle, China, from this time on, will have a champion, and, in a critical hour, a protector who will do something more than talk. As for us of Nippon, we have known for many years that China would find in us a champion. It was only that we were not at all sure whether or not our ability and power were was pressed close to the old man's breast, and the tear-drops sparkled in her eyes as she told him how she loved him just as much as ever. And Francols, trying to be jolly, though his deep voice rasped in his throat, and his eyes were misty, told him he must come and live with them and be their child now. The old man clung so closely to the girl that she was frightened, and asked him was he very sad. And he replied, "Not sad at all, p'tit, but very, very happy." Then he pressed Francols's hand again, and whispered, "God bless you and make you happy, my children." And then Francols lifted his whether or not our ability and power were quite up to the mark of our enthusiasm and wishes. In this matter, Nippon is far from being a disinterested champion; this is the beauty of the situation, as well as the thing that makes our relation with inviolable at the gamblers' table called the world's council of diplomatists, Nippon is simply safeguarding the peace of the Far East, and the peace of the Far East is the sine qua non of her prosperity, and, to some extent, of her very existence.

—[Adachi Kinnosuke in the Forum.

## Legal Motices.

STATE of Vermont, Marlboro District, SS.
By the Probate Court for said District.
To all persons interested in the estate of DAVID BOOTH, late of Brattleboro, in said district, deceased,

Greeting. To all persons interested in the estate of DAVID BOOTH, late of Brattleboro, in said district, deceased.

Whereas the selectmen of the town of Brattleboro in said district, on the sixth day of January, 1906, filed in this court a petition setting forth that David Booth of said Brattleboro, an inhabitant of said town, deceased on July 18, 1903, leaving property and estate, to wit, to the amount of five hundred dollars; that on July 18, 1905, Henry R. Brown, of said Brattleboro, was duly appointed by this court and qualified as administrator upon the estate of said David Booth, that the said David Booth left surviving him no widow, child, brother or sister, no heir at law or person by law entitled to said property and estate of which he so died seized, and that said David Booth left surviving him that the said not had a surviving that the said that said David Booth left surviving him to widow, child, brother or sister, no heir at law or person by law entitled to said property and estate of which he so died seized, and that said David Booth left no last will and testament, and praying that this court may grant and hold an inquisition in the premises, and upon due proceedings had thereon as provided by law, that this court order and decree that the estate of the deceased, after the payment of just debts and charges, shall escheat, and that all the same be assigned to said town of Brattleboro, the town wherein said property is situate and wherein said deceased last resided. Whereupon it is ordered that this petition be heard at the assigned to said court to be held at the probate office in Brattleboro, in said district, on the 25th day of August, 1906, at which time and place persons claiming the estate may appear and be heard hefore the court, if they see cause. And it is further ordered that this notice be published for six weeks successively in

Ing inquisition.

Dated at Brattleboro in said District, this 8th day of January, 1906.

A. F. SCHWENK, Register.

STATE OF VERMONT, Westminster, 88.

By the Probate Court for Said District,
To all persons interested in the estate of
MARY A. COLEMAN, late of Windham, in
said district, deceased.

You are hereby notified that this court will
decide upon the allowance of the account of
J. C. Robinson and A. E. Shumway, Administrators of the estate of J. Q. Shumway, trustee upon said estate, at the session thereof to
be held at the hotel in Townshend, on the 7th
day of Februrary, A. D. 1986, when and where
you may be heard in the premises, if you see
cause.

ZINA H. ALLBEE, Judge.

ZINA H. ALLBEE, Judge.

STATE OF VERMONT, Mariboro, 88.

By the Probate Court for said District.

To all persons interested in the estate ELLEN C. STOWE, late of Brattleboro, and Greeting. RLLEN C. STOWE. late of Bracting.

Whereas, Frederick E. Stowe has presented to this court an instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, for probate:

You are hereby notified that this court will decide upon the probate of said instrument at the session thereof to be held at the probate office in Brattleboro, in said district, on the 57th day of January, A. D. 1904, when and where you may appear and contest the same if you see cause.

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By the Probate Court for said District.
To all persons interested in the estate of LUCY B. FOX, late of Brattleboro, Jeccused,
Greeting:

Whereas, Albert M. Fox has presented to this Court an instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, for Probate. You are hereby notified that this Court will decide upon the probate of said instrument at the session thereof, to be held at the Probate office in Brattleboro, in said district, on the 77th day of January. A. D. 1908, when and where you may appear and contest the same if you see cause.

A. F. SCHWENK, Register.

STATE OF VERMONT, Mariboro, 88, By the Probate Court for said District. To all persons interested in the estate of EZERIEL B. COATES, late of Brattleboro decensed.

Whereas, Charlotte R. Coates has presented to this Court an instrument purorting to be the last will or said deceased, for probate—You are hereby notified that this Court will decide upon the probate of said Instrumental the ression thereof to be held at the Probate Office in Brattleboro, in said district, on the 27th day of January, A. D. 1906, when and where you may appear and contest the same, if you see cause,

A. F. SCHWENK, Register.

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

ESTATE OF ADORA N. CARLETON. ESTATE OF ADORA N. CARLETON.
The undersigned, having been appointed by
the Hon. Probate Court for the District of
Mariboro, Commissioners, to receive, examine
and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Adora N. Carleton,
late of Brooklyn, N. Y., leaving Estate in said
district, deceased, and all claims exhibited in
offset thereto, bereby give notice that we will
meet for the purpose atoresaid, at the residence of Charles Learnard, in Halitax, on the
18th day of December and 24th day of March
bext, from 11 o'clock A. M. until 3 o'clock p.
M., each of said days, and that six months from
the 25rd day of October A. D. 1905 is the time
limited by said Court for said creditors to
present their claims to us for examination and
allowance.

Dated at West Halifax, this 2016.

November, A. D 1905.

NILES PLUMB,
P. B. STONE,
Commissioners. IN the District Court of the United States, For the District of Vermont.

For the District of Vermont.

In the matter of Vermont.

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BRATTLEBORO MFG. CO., in Bankruptey.

To the creditors of Brattleboro Mfg. Co. of Brattleboro, in the county of Windham, and District aforesaid, a bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of December the said Brattleboro Mfg. Co. was duly a judicated a bankrupt; and that the first meeting of the creditors will be held at my office in Brattleboro on the 25th day of January, A. D. 1608, at ten o'clock in the forenoun, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a Tristee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

F. D. E. STOWE.

F. D. E. STOWE, Referee in Bankrupter.

IN the District Court of the United States for the District of Vermont.

In the matter of ARTHUR W. BARTHOLOMEW,

In Bankruptey.

ARTHUR W. BARTHOLOMEW.

Bankrupt.

To the creditors of Arthur W. Bartholomew of Grafton, in the county of Windham and district aforesaid, a bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of January. A. D. 1906, the said Arthur W. Bartholomew was duly adjudicated a bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at Bolles & Bolles' office in Bellows Falls on the 2d day of February, A. D. 1906, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before asid meeting.

F. D. E. STOWE. Referee in Bankruptcy.

IN the District Court of the United States for the District of Vermont. In the matter of COLEMAN H. SANDERS, In Bankruptey.

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Bankrupt.

To the creditors of Coleman H. Sanders of Saxtons River, in the county of Windham and district aforesaid, a bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1905, the said Coleman H. Sanders was duly adjudicated a bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at Bolles & Bolles' office in Bellows Falls on the 2d day of February, A. D. 1906, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

F. D. E. STOWE,

Referee in Bankruptcy.

Jan. 5, 1906.

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The District Court of the United States for the District of Vermont.

In the matter of Permont.

In the matter of EDWIN H. MOULTROP, In Bankruptcy.

Bankrupt.

To the creditors of Edwin H. Moultrop of Grafton, in the county of Windham and district aforesaid, a bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that on the 36th day of December, A. D. 1906, the said Edwin H. Moultrop was duly adjudicated a bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at Bolles & Bolles of face in Bellows Falls on the 2d day of February, A. D. 1906, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

F. D. E. STOWE.

F. D. E. STOWE, Referee in Bankruptcy.